#### PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No.: 109667

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#### **CUSTOMER NUMBER 25944**

### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Examiner: A. BHATNAGAR

Group Art Unit: 2623

In re the Application of

Noriyuki MATSUMOTO et al.

Application No.: 09/937,623

December 28, 2001

FINGERPRINT IMAGE EVALUATION METHOD AND FINGERPRINT VERIFICATION DEVICE For:

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Filed:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

Small entity status of this application has been established.

Any additional claim fees have been calculated as shown below:

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	
TOTAL CLAIMS	29 MINUS	20	= 9	
INDEP CLAIMS	6 MINUS	6	= 0	
☐ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY			
	ADD'L		
RATE	FEE		
x 25	\$		
x 100	\$		
+ 180	\$		
	\$		

OTHER THAN A				
SMALL ENTITY				
OR	RATE	ADD'L FEE		
	x 50	\$ 450		
	x 200	\$		
OR	+ 360	\$		
		\$ 450		
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- If the entry in Column 1 is less than the entry in Column 2, write "0" in Column 3.
- If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
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The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" in this space (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Column 1 of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

Check No. 176121 in the amount of \$450 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: February 6, 2006



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### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In reply to the October 6, 2005 Office Action, the period of reply extended to February 6, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time filed herein, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.

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